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Offered by:

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(As Amended by House Amendment Schedule "A")

**"AN ACT CONCERNING OFFSETS AGAINST DISABILITY
RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR STATE EMPLOYEES."**

1 Strike clause (ii) of subparagraph (B) of subdivision (16) of section
2 501 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

3 "(ii) A mental or emotional impairment, unless such impairment
4 arises (I) from a physical injury or occupational disease, or (II) in the
5 case of a police officer, out of an incident or incidents occurring in the
6 police officer's line of duty. As used in this clause, "police officer"
7 means a member of the Division of State Police within the Department
8 of Public Safety, an organized local police department or a municipal
9 constabulary, and "in the line of duty" means any action that a police
10 officer is obligated or authorized by law, rule, regulation or written
11 condition of employment service to perform, or for which the police
12 officer is compensated by the public entity such officer serves."

13 Strike section 502 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu

14 thereof:

15 "Sec. 502. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2005*) Notwithstanding any
16 provision of chapter 568 of the general statutes, workers' compensation
17 benefits for any police officer, as defined in subparagraph (B)(ii) of
18 subdivision (16) of section 31-275 of the general statutes, as amended
19 by this act, who suffers a mental or emotional impairment arising out
20 of an incident or incidents occurring in such police officer's line of
21 duty, shall be limited to treatment by a psychologist or a psychiatrist
22 who is on the approved list of practicing physicians established by the
23 chairman of the Workers' Compensation Commission pursuant to
24 section 31-280 of the general statutes.

25 Sec. 503. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The state shall reimburse any
26 municipality for costs incurred by the municipality to (1) provide
27 treatment by a psychologist or a psychiatrist who is on the approved
28 list of practicing physicians established by the chairman of the
29 Workers' Compensation Commission pursuant to section 31-280 of the
30 general statutes, or (2) pay an increased premium to an insurance
31 company insuring the liability of the municipality under chapter 568 of
32 the general statutes for any police officer who suffers a mental or
33 emotional impairment arising from such police officer's use of deadly
34 force or subjection to deadly force in the line of duty covered under
35 chapter 568 of the general statutes."